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MINTING OF VISUAL HANDICAPPED FRIENDLY COINS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether all the new series coins are round and not sensitive to the needs of people with visual impairment;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure minting of visual handicapped friendly coins?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) to (c) It is a fact that all the new series of coins are round in shape. However, they are sensitive to the needs of people with visual impairment as their weight and diameters are different. In the case of Rs.5 coins, security edging has also been provided.